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## State of Iowa Youth Advisory Council

### Conference Call Minutes

Sunday, January 24<sup>th</sup>, 2021

[8:00 PM – 9:58 PM] - All Members – Statewide

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The meeting was called to order by W. Keck at 8:00 PM. Attendance was taken by V. Iyer at 8:01 PM.

**Present:** V. Iyer, W. Keck, A. Drahos, A. Moorlach, B. Kelly, I. Hanson, J. Piazza, K. Jones, K. Jones, K. Hesselink, K. Castillo, K. Chugh, K. Huntington, L. Glenn, L. Roarick, P. Bassuk, S. Wilson, S. Drey, S. Koh, T. Loudon

**Absent:** None

#### I. Welcome & Announcements

At 8:06 PM, A. Jayaram motions to approve intes, seconded by K. Jones, approved unanimously.

At 8:07 PM, A. Jayaram motions to suspend the rules, second by A. Moorlach, passed unanimously

#### II. Guest Speaker: United We Dream

At 8:25 PM, United We Dream representative J. Manuel Guzman discusses immigration and immigrant protections. United We Dream is an organization of immigrants fighting for the rights of fellow immigrants and their protections.

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#### III. Service/Legislative/IDEA/Public Affairs Updates

At 8:08 PM, IDEA chair, B. Kelly, gives updates, including translated policy manual and information about pages.

At 8:09 PM, Service chair, S. Koh, gives updates about the service project including the submission Google Form to notify W. Keck and T. Mosley about our individual projects.

#### IV. Committee Updates

At 8:13 PM, P. Bassuk of the Education committee gives updates:

Sponsorship from Rep. Bolcom for the bills, Bill Request submitted

Positions on SF80, HF184, HF187, and SSB1065 written, ready for voting

At 8:15 PM, A. Moorlach of the Human Rights committee gives updates:

Meetings with Senators and Representatives, including Sen. Mathis about an existing



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AVR bill, meetings with DHR for Sanctuary Cities

At 8:17 PM, L. Glenn of the Health committee gives updates:

Meetings with Senators and Representatives, including Sen. Peterson with existing menstrual equity bills (SF34 and SF36) as well as Iowa Safe schools regarding conversion therapy and intersex rights, supporting HF15, SF34, and SF36 about menstrual equity

At 8:18 PM, I. Hanson of the Environmental committee gives updates:

Similar bill in the House for environmental advocacy, not as much success but still working hard.

At 8:19 PM, K. Kalathur of IYC gives updates:

Banning Gay Panic Defense bill passed through committee and another bill was almost sponsored.

At 8:20 PM, A. Albers of AMP gives updates:

Emotional skills, increased foster care budget, and changing eligibility requirements for a scholarship to 18-19 year olds not participating in half-time schooling.

## **V. DHR Updates**

At 8:22 PM, T. Mosley debriefs from legislative prep day.

## **VI. Good of the Order**

At 8:59 PM, W. Keck introduces the idea of making positions on bills. P. Bassuk suggests sending them out to all legislators in order to be more inconspicuous and to also allow all legislators to hear youth voices.

At 9:05 PM, P. Bassuk motions to allow the executive committee to vote on positions after SIYAC calls, second by K. Jones, passes unanimously.

L. Glenn and K. Chugh of the Health committee discuss their position on:

Support of HF15 on menstrual equity - A. Moorlach motions to approve a draft of the position, second by I. Hanson, motion passes

Support of SF34 on menstrual equity - L. Glenn motions to approve a draft of the position, second by A. Jayaram, motion passes

Support of SF36 on menstrual equity - B. Kelly motions to approve a draft of the position, second by A. Moorlach, motion passes

Support of HSB11 on Banning Gay Panic Defense - P. Bassuk motions to approve a draft of the position, second by A. Jayaram, motion passes

SIYAC supports banning conversion therapy and supports intersex rights in Iowa - motion to approve stance by L. Glenn, second by A. Jayaram, passes

A. Moorlach of the Human Rights Committee discusses their position on:

Support of SF62 on Automatic Voter Registration - I. Hanson motions to approve a draft of the position, second by K. Jones, motion passes



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P. Bassuk of the Education committee discusses their positions on:

Opposition to SF80 regarding disclosing pronouns to parents, A. Moorlach expresses her support of the bill - B. Kelly motions to approve a draft of the position, second by P. Bassuk, motion passes

Opposition to HF184 and HF187 both referring to the sex-based separation of school bathrooms and sports teams, effectively barring transgender students from using their chosen bathrooms or sports teams - P. Bassuk motions to approve a draft of the position, second by A. Jayaram, motion passes

Opposition to SSB1065 regarding the reallocation of public school funds and open enrollment, discussion ensues after which P. Bassuk reads aloud the position drafted - motion to table by P. Bassuk, second by L. Roarick

Opposition to HF193 regarding prohibiting minors from receiving puberty blockers of gender reaffirming surgery - motion to approve drafting by P.

Bassuk,

second by K. Jones.

#### **IV. Public Comments**

There were no public comments.

#### **VII. Adjournment**

At 9:58 PM, the call was adjourned.